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FOLLOWING REPEAT NASSAU 1378 ACTION SECSTATE DTD 28 AUG 76

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L NASSAU 1378

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PLOS

SUBJ: LOS: MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY TO FOREIGN MINISTERS

REF: STATE 213536

1. MESSAGE CONTAINED REFTEL DELIVERED 1030 LOCAL TIME
AUGUST 28 TO MINEXTAFF ADDERLEY.

2. ADDERLEY, WHILE EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR MESSAGE
AND SECRETARY'S STRONG INTEREST IN ACHIEVING A SUCCESSFUL
CONCLUSION FOR NEGOTIATIONS, WAS DEEPLY PESSIMISTIC AND
EVEN MORE CYNICAL THAN NORMALLY IS THE CASE. HE
BLAMED PRESENT IMPASSE ON A LACK OF TIMELY POLITICAL
LEADERSHIP BOTH BY THE INTERESTED STATES AND THE UN STAFF
AND FELT THAT LITTLE IF ANYTHING COULD BE DONE AT THIS
LATE DATE TO RESOLVE OUTSTANDING DIFFERENCES. IN HIS
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OPINION, COASTAL STATES IN PARTICULAR WERE, DESPITE LIP

SERVICE TO THE CONTRARY, BASICALLY APATHETIC TO THE
OUTCOME OF THE NEGOTIATION AND WOULD BE CONTENT TO ACHIEVE
THEIR AIMS BY UNILATERAL ACTION. IN THIS REGARD, HE
STATED THAT GCOB WOULD MOST PROBABLY UNILATERALLY PROCLAIM
A 200-MILE ZONE SOMETIME THIS WINTER. HE MADE IT CLEAR
THAT IN HIS OPINION LITTLE IF ANYTHING COULD BE DONE TO
BRING AROUND GROUP OF 77 ON DEEP SEA BEDS AND THAT
PSYCHOLOGICAL ATMOSPHERE OF CONFERENCE WAS SUCH THAT
IT WOULD TAKE CONSIDERABLE TIME TO ACHIEVE ANY POSITIVE
MOVEMENT. ADDERLEY DOES NOT PLAN TO RETURN TO NEW YORK
BEFORE THE CONFERENCE'S CONCLUSION AND GCOB WILL BE
REPRESENTED IN HIS ABSENCE BY MINISTRY OFFICIAL GEORGE
STEWART.
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